

**AMENDMENT
USAN 10/787,142****REMARKS**

Claims 1-23 have been canceled without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application directed thereto. Claims 34-37 have been added with recitations corresponding to original claims 30-33, respectively. Claims 38-54 have been added with recitations corresponding to original claims 2-18, respectively. Claims 55 and 56 have been added with recitations corresponding to claims 32 and 33, respectively, and depending on claim 26. The number of new claims corresponds to the number of canceled claims, so no excess claim fee should be needed.

Entry of the above amendment is respectfully requested.

Information Disclosure Statement

With the last response, Applicants submitted an Information Disclosure Statement (PTO/SB/08a form) listing the references disclosed in the application but not already cited by the Examiner, as well as other references, together with a check for the \$180 fee for the Information Disclosure Statement. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the disclosed information and return an initialed copy of the PTO/SB/08a form with the next communication from the PTO.

Restriction Requirement

On page 2 of the Office Action, in paragraph 1, the Examiner has set forth a restriction requirement, in which restriction is required between:

- I. Claims 1-23, drawn to a bar composition, and
- II. Claims 24-33, drawn to a method of improving hygiene.

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In response to this restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect Group II. claims 24-33, drawn to a method of improving hygiene. Since new claims 34-56 are also drawn to a method of improving hygiene and depend directly or indirectly on elected claims, Applicants respectfully submit that they should also be included in Group II and examined together with the elected claims.

Conclusion

If the Examiner wishes to discuss this application with the undersigned, he is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below.

In view of the above, allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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